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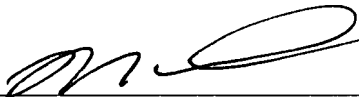
Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) and a copy of the Japanese documents cited.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

This Statement is being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), no fee is submitted.

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